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Free Lotus

All orders for Water Lilies either Hardy or Tropical, and Shallow Water Plants selected from this catalogue amounting to \$5.00 or more, and received by us before May 1, 1937, we will give you FREE one Pink Lotus (*Nelumbium Speciosum*) if you will mention same in your order.

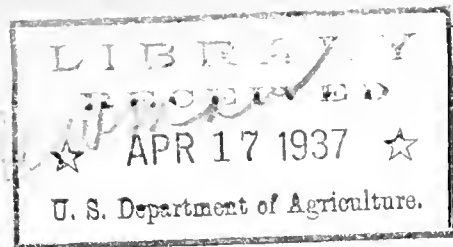
Free Offer

With all orders received before May 1st, 1937 for \$2.00 or over, we will give one Water Poppy—FREE.

Special Collection No. 5

3 Beautiful Day-blooming Tropical Waterlilies, Pink, White, Blue—one tuber of each color, our selection of varieties, \$3.00.

BUSKIRK'S
WATER LILIES AND FISHES
Independence, Ohio



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TO OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS:

We will not issue a catalogue this Spring, only this list. As it does not list everything we grow, we have tried to select the best. We have a nice variety but not a large stock of Rock plants. Will be glad to quote on your list.

In using this list we are saving on the cost of expensive catalogues and are pricing our plants accordingly so our customers will be benefited by it.

If you saw our exhibit at the Great Lakes Exposition in Cleveland, Ohio last year, you will know of the high quality of our plants.

We invite you to come and look over our Plant.

Very truly yours,
A. S. BUSKIRK.

Hardy Water Lilies

VERA LOUISE. The largest of the white Waterlilies and is recommended as a show variety. Given plenty of room and good soil it blooms freely. \$2.00 each.

ATTRACTION. Well named as it draws the attention of all visitors to our water garden. The blooms are the largest and brightest of all red varieties. \$2.00 each.

MORNING GLORY. A beautiful Nymphaea of our own introduction. The color is a delicate shell pink, almost white at the petal tips, shading deeper toward the center of the flower; fragrant. \$2.00 each.

SUNRISE. The name suggesting its early opening. A burst of beautiful large clear yellow flowers 8 to 10 inches across. \$2.00 each.

COMANCHE. A strong growing variety and the finest of the changeable types. The prevailing color the first day is apricot, deepening later to a rich copper-bronze, streaked with red. \$2.00 each.

ABOVE COLLECTION, 5 Lilies, \$8.00.

MARLIACEA ALBIDA. Blooms continually throughout the season. The petals are white; yellow stamens. Really an excellent variety. \$1.00 each.

MARLIACEA CHROMATELLA. Bright yellow blooms which are from 4 to 6 inches across; the stamens are deep yellow. It is a most satisfactory variety and an extremely popular Waterlily. \$1.00 each.

HELEN FOWLER. A seedling with deep pink, fragrant flowers 3 to 5 inches across. A strong grower and a continuous bloomer. \$1.00 each.

COLLECTION, 3 lilies, \$2.50.

Special Collection No. 4

3 HARDY LILIES, 1 Pink, 1 White, 1 Yellow, our selection of varieties, \$2.00

Visitors are welcome at all times. You will find recreation and pleasure in studying the Waterlilies, the Fancy Fish, the Swans, the Pheasants, and other interesting nature subjects.

NOTICE:

We will have large specimen plants of many varieties of Waterlilies growing in pails or large containers, priced according to size and variety. They can be planted successfully all summer, and will give immediate effect.

Terms of Business

We guarantee all stock furnished by us to be first class, true to name, all of a size, so as to give immediate results. However, there are causes for failure over which we have no control, and we can assume no responsibility after stock is delivered.

Cash with Order. To avoid unnecessary record keeping in our office, we request you to send cash with order.

Shipping. Plants should be sent by express rather than parcel post. Fish must be sent by express.

Tropical Water Lilies

Blue, Lavender, Purple, Red, White, and Pink

TROPICAL water Lilies, or Nymphaeas, have many desirable qualities. Although they are set out late in the season, usually June, they make such remarkable growth that within several weeks blossoms appear, and continue in size and numbers until heavy frosts destroy the foliage. As cold does not cause them to become dormant, the blooming season closes much later than that of the hardy varieties.

The following varieties are the ones we had growing in the pool at Horticultural Garden at Great Lakes Exposition, Summer 1936, and was admired by everyone.

AUGUST KOCH. Blue shaded with lilac-purple. A viviparous variety. \$1.75 each.

MRS. A. S. BUSKIRK. The finest of all pink Waterlilies. Distinct in color and beauty, and noted for the number of blooms. Flowers have 25 or more petals surrounding a mass of yellow stamens. Blooms remain open all day and often into the late evening. Awarded gold medal at Cleveland Flower Show in 1932. Strong plants. \$3.00 each.

GOVERNOR EMERSON. In color the blooms are large blue, strong stems that hold huge blooms 8-10" above water. One of the freest blooming of large varieties and one of the best. Do not fail to include one in your order. \$2.50 ea.

MRS. EDWARDS WHITAKER. Flower's color a lavender-blue when first open, changing to a lighter blue at maturity. Blooms often reach 10 inches in diameter, and open almost with the sunrise and do not close until early evening. \$2.00 each.

PINK PEARL. Color rich pink. The large blooms, 9 to 12 inches across, are very beautiful. Free blooming for a plant producing such large flowers. \$2.00 each.

ROYAL PURPLE. One of our own introductions and the darkest of all purple Waterlilies. It is very free flowering, with blooms 6 to 8 inches across, and is sure to attract the attention of all who see it. Viviparous. \$3.00 each.

Night-blooming Tropical Waterlilies

The blooms in this class open in the late afternoon and remain open practically all night. On cloudy days they may open in the forenoon and remain open for 24 hours. Because of the night-blooming habit these Waterlilies are distinctly novel. The colors are as fine as those of any of the Day-bloomers, and the flowers fully as attractive. Every pool should have at least one plant of the Night-blooming Tropicals.

EMILY GRANT HUTCHINGS. Cup-shaped blooms, amaranth-pink in color. We consider it a desirable night-blooming variety. \$2.00 each.

MRS. GEORGE C. HITCHCOCK. Originated in the Missouri Botanical Gardens about 6 years ago. Blooms are deep rose-pink, a most attractive color, and are carried well above the water. \$2.00 each.

JUNO (Nymphaea dentata superba). A superb white variety, probably producing the largest blooms of any of the night-flowering class. \$1.50 each.

Regular price above collection—\$18.25.

If ordered complete—\$16.00.

DAUBEN. The best known viviparous Lily. Produces small blue flowers in great profusion. The small leaf plants frequently bloom while still attached to parent plant. Fine for tub or aquarium culture. A continuous bloomer. 75c ea.

Special Collection No. 1

1 Red Night-bloomer
1 White Hardy (yellow if you prefer)
1 Blue Tropical
These Three Waterlilies, our selection of varieties, \$3.00.

Special Collection No. 3

3 Night-blooming Lilies, 1 Pink, 1 Red, 1 White, our selection of varieties, \$2.50.

Nelumbiums---The Water Lotus of Ancient Worship and Lore

THIS is the Lily that was revered by the Egyptians. Designs patterned after its flowers are found upon many burial crypts and ceremonial instruments. These picture manuscripts show plainly that the Lily was held to be possessed of mysterious power, or perhaps that it was a symbol of the peace and beauty of human happiness in the life to come.

ROSEUM PLENUM. The blooms of this variety are always large and double. The color is deep pink. \$2.50 each; potted plants \$3.00 each.

SHIROMAN. This is easily the largest of the Nelumbiums. The flowers are snow white and decidedly double. The plants require no particular attention and are vigorous growers. \$2.50 each; potted plants \$3.00 each.

SPECIOSUM. The Sacred Lotus of the Nile. It grows well under almost all conditions. Both flowers and leaves stand well above the water. Blooms are always large and fragrant; color is a rosy pink. The plant is hardy in the latitude of Cleveland and northern Ohio. \$1.00 each; potted plants \$1.25.

Shallow Water Plants

A natural pond will have an area of shallow water where a profusion of flags, rushes, reeds and small flowering plants delight the eye. Your pool will be the more attractive when provided with a place where water, two to eight inches deep, will support the same growth for a center piece, corner ornaments, or an aquatic flower border.

COLLECTION SHALLOW WATER PLANTS.

- 6 Low Growing—\$1.50
- 6 Tall Growing—\$3.00
- Regular Price, \$4.50—Collection Price, \$3.00
- 2 Collections and 24 Plants—\$5.00

Marsh or Bog Plants

JUST at the edge of a pond you will need clumps of ornamental and semi-tropical plants, roots deep in the rich wet loam but with crowns and stems preferring the air and sunlight. In a concrete pool you may have a ledge or box of soil partially immersed, or you may prefer to put individual plants in flower pots set so that the soil comes above the water level. The thing to remember is that Marsh plants like wet feet but do not like to swim or wade. Many are excellent house plants and will grow indoors if the pot is set in a saucer kept full of water.

No. 50—AQUATIC PLANT COLLECTION. For Small Pools without Lilies, \$3.50.

- 25 Plants—Assorted.
- 2 Tall Growing Plants for center
- 10 Medium Plants
- 8 Oxygenating Plants
- 5 Floating Plants.

No. 51—MEDIUM SIZED POOL COLLECTION, \$5.00.

- 6 Shallow Water Tall Growing Plants—Assorted
- 12 Medium and Low Growing Plants—Assorted
- 10 Oxygenating Plants
- 6 Floating Plants.

No. 52—LARGE POOL COLLECTION—WITHOUT LILIES, \$10.00.

- 25 Tall Growing Plants
- 25 Medium Growing Plants
- 25 Oxygenating Plants
- 10 Floating Plants.

Submerged or Oxygenating Plants

WHATEVER the size or style of the pool, you will wish the water to be pure and clear. Plants growing under water either absorb the impurities or release oxygen to destroy them. Oxygenating plants are indispensable when fish are present as they provide a perfect balance for the animal life.

8 Varieties of oxygenating plants in collection for only \$1.00.

COLLECTION 28A. For either aquarium of small pool; state when ordering what you want it for. \$1.00.

COLLECTION 29A. Enough for medium sized pool when 5 lilies are used. \$2.50.

COLLECTION 30A. Oxygenating plants for large pool, assorted in many varieties, our selection. \$6.00 per 100.

Floating Plants

First we think of the surface of the pool. Perhaps the water is deep and the sides offer no lodging for rooted plants. This does not matter, however, for some of the finest aquatics will grow and bloom merely floating on the surface, deriving nourishment from the air and water.

COLLECTION 25A. Collection of floating plants made up of 5 varieties, enough for small pool. \$1.00.

COLLECTION 26A. Enough for medium sized pool for \$2.00.

COLLECTION 27A. Large pool collection, 35 plants for \$3.00.

Scavengers—To Keep the Pool in Order

THE crystal clearness of natural ponds or lakes is the result of plants and animals feeding on all the impurities and using up all available food. If we wish to keep artificial pools pure and clear and avoid green scum, we must have balanced plant and animal life growing in the pool.

COLLECTION No. 10

Scavengers for Small Pool

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|-------------------|------------------------|
| 6 Tadpoles | 1 Geographic Turtle |
| With Shipping Can | 12 Snails, 3 Varieties |
| | Total, \$1.00 |

COLLECTION No. 11

Scavengers for Medium Pool

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| 12 Jap Snails | 1 Pair Green Frogs |
| 1 Dozen Tadpoles | 2 Geographic Turtles |
| 6 Clams | With Shipping Can |
| 12 Black Ramshorn Snails | |
| | Total \$2.50 |

JUMBO FROGS

These big fellows, with their melodious voices, are needed to give the real touch of nature to a pool. They take care of themselves, but never harm the fish. A pair will give a lot of pleasure to visitors. A pair of breeding size for only \$3.00.

All Fish and Scavengers must be sent by express.

Special Collection No. 2 for Tub Garden

- 1 Waterlily (your selection of color)
 - 2 Tall Plants for growing out of water
 - 3 Floating Plants
 - 2 Oxygenating Plants
- These Eight Plants for \$1.50.

All collections containing tropical plants will not be shipped before the first of June.

Goldfish for Outdoor Pools and Ponds

A pool without fish loses one of its attractive features. Also, fish are needed to destroy larvae of mosquitoes and other insects. Fish require little care, and in a pool will look out for themselves. It is well to feed them Buskirk's Goldfish Food or similar food two or three times a week. Over-feeding should be avoided. If fed regularly the fish become quite tame and will come to the hand for food.

GIANT GOLDFISH. Breeders, Assorted Colors. 7 to 8 in., 75 cts. each; \$6.00 per doz. 8 to 10 in., \$1.00 each; \$8.00 per doz. 10 to 12 in., \$1.50 each; \$12.00 per doz.

COMET-TAIL GOLDFISH. The body is long and slender and all the fins are elongated. Sometimes its tail grows as long as its body. To the American breeders falls the honor of producing the Comet Goldfish.

Assorted or Red. 4 to 6 in., 50 cts. each; \$4.00 per doz.
Breeders, Assorted Colors, or Red. 6 to 9 in., \$1.00 each; \$8.00 per doz. 9 to 12 in., \$2.00 each; \$18.00 per doz.

SHUBUNKIN. Produced by Chinese fish-breeders. In English the name means "brocade." The coloring is unique, and no two fish will be found colored alike. The body formation is a little different from that of the Common Goldfish. It is very hardy and will winter well in an outside pool. Mottled Blue, Red, or Black. 2 to 3 in., 25 cts. each. 3 to 5 in., 50 cts. each; \$4.00 per doz.

FANTAIL GOLDFISH. The best known of the fancy fish. They are indeed beautiful. The distinguishing feature is the double tail which is joined at the top. 2 to 3 in., 50 cts. each; \$4.00 per doz.

Breeders. 3 to 5 in., 75 cts. each; \$6.00 per doz.

CALICO FANTAILS. \$1.00, \$2.00, and \$5.00, per pair, according to size.

FRINGETAILED GOLDFISH. Breeders. 2 to 3 in., 75 cts. each; \$6.00 per doz. 3 to 4 in., \$1.00 each; \$8.00 per doz. Extra large (over 6 in.), \$5.00 each.

TELESCOPE GOLDFISH. Red or Black. \$1.00, \$2.00, and \$5.00 per pair, according to size.

COMMON GOLDFISH. Breeders, Assorted Colors. 3 to 4 in., 20 cts. each; \$1.60 per doz. 4 to 6 in., 25 cts. each; \$2.00 per doz. 6 to 7 in., 50 cts. each; \$4.00 per doz.

PEARL ROACH. Beautiful silver fish with red fins and tail. As hardy as a Goldfish. Will breed readily in a small pool. \$1.00, \$2.00, and \$3.00 per pair, according to size. Large breeders, \$5.00 per pair.

GOLDEN ORF - GOLDEN TROUT. A very interesting fish as it spends most of its time on the surface where it is constantly in view. \$1.00, \$2.00, and \$3.00 per pair, according to size.

BUSKIRK'S PREPARED GOLDFISH FOOD. For Outdoor Pools. Contains meat and cereals. A balanced food giving the fish a variety in diet Lb. 35 cts.

Tropical Fish for Aquariums

A great number of varieties of fancy, brilliant-hued Tropical Fishes are suitable for the aquarium. They will propagate in a small container and so afford a fascination for their owner and will always delight his friends.

LIVE-BEARING FISHES (Give birth to living young)

	Pair
Platy, Red (that are red) Gold Crescent.....	\$1.00
Black, Blue .....	.50
Platy, Variatus Red Tail.....	\$1.00 & 2.00
Platy, (Well colored) .....	.50
Platy, Golden Helmet and Salt Pepper.....	1.00
Platy, Mahogany Red	1.00
Platy, Black-Spotted Red	1.00
Swordtails, Green-Males, Long Tails.....	.75
Swordtails, Red with Sword.....	.75
Swordtails, Bright Red	1.00
Black Fins and Tail.....	2.00
Swordtails, Montezuma (large).....	2.00
Swordtails, Montezuma, medium .....	.75
Guppy, Common (large)	\$1.00 doz. .25
Guppy, Black	Specimen pairs \$1.00 .50
Guppy, Lyre-tail	Specimen pairs 1.00 .50
Guppy, Golden	Specimen pairs 1.00 .50
Guppy, Flag Tail	Specimen pairs 1.00 .50
Helleri Hybrids, Red, Blue, Black.....	1.00
Mosquito Fish (Formosa).....	.25
Mollenisia, Spotted (will get black).....	.50
Mollenisia, Sphenops (Blue Red-tailed).....	1.00
Mollenisia, Sphenops (Black Spotted Red-tail).....	Specimen pairs \$2.00 1.00

Above Mollenisia, young, 1/2 grown.....	.50
Mollenisia, Liberty (Full Color).....	2.00
Mollenisia, Liberty (Medium) .....	.75
Crestedodon decemmaculatus (10 spot).....	.50
Limia Vittata .....	.50
Lemon Glass .....	.75

LABYRINTH FISH (Bubble Nest Builders)

Betta Cambodia, Red, Blue.....	Large \$2.00 \$1.00
Bettas, small size .....	.50
Bettas, show specimen, males.....	\$1.00 to \$2.00 each

Pair

PARADISE FISH	3 prs. for \$2.00 \$1.00
PARADISE WHITE	3 pr. for 2.00 1.00
POLYCANTHUS Dayi	1.00
DWARF GOURAMI	1.00
STRIPED GOURAMI	1.00
THREE-SPOT GOURAMI .....	.50
BLUE GOURAMI	1.00
LEERI GOURAMI, new.....	2.00

All above mated pairs, \$1.00 per pair extra

EGG LAYERS

Barbus Conchoniis (Rosy Barb).....	\$.50
Barbus partipentazona	2.00
Striped Barb .....	.50
Barbus Nigrofasciatus	2.00
Barbus Titeya	1.50
Pristella Riddlei .....	.75
Tetra Flammeus (Von Rio).....	.75
Jewel	Large \$2.00 .75
Rasbora	2.00
Tetra Black	2.00
Tetra Head and Tail Lights.....	1.00
Tetra Buenos Aires .....	.50
Tetra Silver .....	.75
Copeina Guttata	1.00
Danio Rerio-Zebra-Pearl-Golden .....	.50
Danio Malabaricul (Giant) .....	.75
Acara Port, Blue.....	Large \$2.00 1.00
Cichlasoma Cutteri	2.00
Bloodfins .....	.75
Egyptian Mouthbreeders .....	.75
Scalare .....	.50
Scalare, medium size	1.00
Scalare, large Breeders	5.00
Colisa Lalia (Glass.....	Pair \$1.50

SCAVENGERS

Corydoras Leopardus Cat Fish.....	Pair 1.50
Black Ramshorn Snails.....	6 for .25
Red Ramshorn Snails	3 for .25
Trumpet Snails	3 for .25
Japanese Snails	3 for .25
Fresh Water Clams.....	2 for .25
Tadpoles	6 for .25
American Newts	2 for .25
Glass Shrimp (Good Scavenger).....	2 for .25

BUSKIRK'S VITAMIN FISH-FOOD. Scientifically prepared and balanced. Contains elements needed for health and growth of fish—80 per cent meats, 20 per cent cereals and salts. Bottles, 25 and 50 cts. each.

BUSKIRK'S CHEMICAL AQUARIUM NEUTRALIZERS. Retards development of ichthyophthira in tropical aquariums; prevents decaying of snail-shells; neutralizes the ammonia produced by decaying plants. 2 for 25 cts.; \$1 per doz.

GERMAN FUNGUS CURE. Removes scum or fungus growth in a few hours. Should be used as an antiseptic before introducing new fish in the aquarium, or on fish after a trip in a shipping can. Pkg. 35 cts.

AQUARIUM CEMENT. For constructing or mending aquariums. Full directions on can. Can 25 cts.

DIP-NETS. Goldfish Nets, 6-in., with 2-ft. wood handles, 35 cts. each. Small Cloth Nets, 3-in. 15 cts. each.

GLASS THERMOMETERS. 25 cts. each.

GLASS FEEDING-RING. 10 cts. each.

GLASS DIP-TUBES. To remove sediment from aquarium. 40 cts. each.

THERMOMETER HOLDERS. 10 cts. each.

Adjustat Regulators

The Adjustat Regulators are manufactured from the best material obtainable. All fibers are Spaulding bakelite. Metal parts are of hard rolled brass. Glass, automatic machine made; double annealed tubes.

ADJUSTAT, MODEL J. Spaulding bakelite top mounting, clamping 1x6-in. annealed glass tube self-centering standard Adjustat thermostatic unit. \$2.50 each.

ADJ.-THERMOSTAT. Constructed with outside adjustment for temperature changes. Enclosed in a 1x6-in. glass tube. Capacity: 200 watts A. C., 100 watts D. C. \$1.35 each.

Heater tubes 1x6-in., 25-watt.....	\$.80
Heater tubes 1x8-in., 25- 50-, 75-watt.....	.80
Heater tubes 1 1/2x10-in., 50-, 75-, 100-watt.....	1.00

A Rock Garden

2 Nice Pools, All for \$10.50

Get an old barrel, saw in half, or two tubs.

Get a few stones.

Place on pile of earth excavated as background.

Fill tubs about one-third full of rich dirt. Put 1 inch of sand over same and fill with water.

Then send to Buskirk's and you will receive the following plants, lilies, fish and scavengers (tender water plants shipped after June 1st).

COLLECTION B

Plants for Water Garden

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| 1 Water Lily, Blue | 2 Water-Hyacinths |
| 1 Water Lily, Pink | 3 Parrot's Feather |
| 1 Water Lily, Marliacea | 3 Oxygenating Plants |
| Chromatella, Yellow | 3 Floating-Heart |
| 1 Pickerel Rush | 1 Spiral Palm |

Regular price of 16 plants, \$5.25

Special Collection, \$4.00

No exchanges made.

Special Plate Glass Aquariums

Steel Frames

	Inches	Each
4-gal.	16x 6x11.....	\$1.20
6-gal.	18x 8x11.....	1.50
8-gal.	18x10x13.....	2.00
10-gal.	21x10x13.....	2.50
12-gal.	21x10x15.....	3.00
16-gal.	13x24x14.....	6.00
20-gal.	28x13x14.....	7.00

Packing charges—4- to 12-gal.....\$0.40

16- and 20-gal..... 1.00

Can furnish above sizes in stainless steel at 50 cts. per gallon.

Blood-Meal

A good fertilizer for all water plants. Use 1 quart per bushel of clay soil, or 1 quart for 2 bushels of good garden soil. 1-qt. carton 50 cts.

Do not fail to see the tropical birds and rock gardens while at the nursery.

Special Introductory Offer

Three Bargains for Garden or Pool

COLLECTION A

Plants for Rockery

30 ROCK PLANTS

Regular price, \$8.00

Special Collection, \$5.00

COLLECTION C

Fish and Scavengers for Two Half-Barrels

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|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1 pair Goldfish, 6 to 8 inches | 6 Trumpet Snails |
| 1 pair Shubunkins, 3 to 5 in. | 1 pair Frogs (green) or Geo. |
| 6 Japanese Snails | Turtles |
| 6 Tadpoles | 1 Shipping-can |
| 2 Clams | |

Regular price, \$5.25

Special Collection, \$4.00

Rock Garden and Water Garden Collections Combined, for Two Half-Barrels Set in Ground, Collections A, B, C, \$10.50.

PLANT TUBS. Made of the best grade of white cedar; durable and should last for many years. 2 ft. diameter, 1 ft. deep, \$2.00 each.

Denso-Sub-Aqua

Rubberized Under-water Paint

A non-poisonous coating for aquariums, lily-pools, or concrete surfaces which are constantly under water. Composed of pigments and colors unaffected by water, ground in a special water-proof vehicle with Densol Rubber Base Liquid.

Imparts depth and clarity, and gives a unique color to the pool; stops small leaks; is not injurious to fish or plants; adds to the appearance of aquariums of pools.

Coverage: 400 to 500 square feet per gallon, one coat. Color: sky-blue.

Gal. \$4.50; ½-gal. \$2.35; qt. \$1.25.

MIXED VARIETIES. There are always some of the Tropical Lilies becoming mixed, which we are not sure of, and we will sell these unnamed. 75 cts. each, \$6.50 for 10.

SEEDS

We have a limited amount of seed of the Tender Water-Lilies, mixed varieties, at 50c per pkt. Also, the Sacred Lotus seed in separate colors, Pink, White, Yellow, at 50c per pkt.

Victoria seed, 6 for \$1.00.